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While minds, sancy drew beloze his aght,

Augusta bids rich commerce baste

Irene' to restore;

Whom, Earth's wide regions having past,

She finds on Slany's shore.

I.

QUEEN, of the deathless fong, and golden lyre,

Immortal muse! begin some lofty theme;

IRENE, a CANTO,

So may thy Britons catch the hallow'd fire, So may thy bards, in wondrous lays, proclaim The warrior's dangers, and the patriot's name;

Striking with daring hand the founding strings, And fill'd with rapture at great Albion's fame, From Slany's echoing banks, a shepherd sings

The fall of mighty hofts, the wars of Europe's (kings.

H.

Oft thro' the solemn loneliness of night
Musing, he wander'd near the toiling slood,
While mimic fancy drew before his sight,
The dreadful glorious scene, of kings subdu'd,
Towns wrapt in slames, and armies bath'd in
blood;

But now the horrid visions rise no more, Nor threatning camps, or hostile sleets he view'd:

The storm of war which shook the world is o'er,

And peaceful Halcyons foon, revifit Albion's



III.

Oh Peace! thou fav'rite daughter of the skies, What happy region boasts thy blissful reign. In what calm shades the lov'ly vestal lies, Or treads, the mountain hill, or shadowy plain?

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Joy, of the village nymph, and constant

Around thee, goddess! endless blessings wait, Each social virtue mingles in thy train; While wealth and commerce joyn, to form thy state.

Beyond the pomp of kings, the pride of con-

mind amoit) IV.

Defire of Earth! the foul of ev'ry joy!
Unfading laurels deck thy placid brow;
In vain the furies labour to defirey,
While thou repair'st the wake of war below;
Thy guardian care the elierish'd musesknow,
Each graceful elegance, and finer art;
Each life endearing charm, thou canst bestow,
Can'st on the worthless thy rewards impart,
Pour'd e'en on faction's head, and treason's felon
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V.

Yet oft hath man, posses'd by implous pride,
To fatal war by blind ambition led,
Forgot thy just requests, thy suit deny'd,
And o'er thy fruitful vales destruction spread;
Oft from fair Europe's kingdoms hast thou
sled

To diftant climes, and winter's endless reign;
Far from the haunt of men conceal'd thine
head,

While hostile millions fill'd th' embattled plain,

And monarchs were dethron'd, and martial na-

Source of Earth! the IVal of

Thus when the pencil bade the canvas shine,
And Adon' bled beneath the tusky boar,
(Thy work, O Titian, or Apelles thine)
Her golden looks the queen of beauty tore,
And stain'd her snowy limbs with crimson
gore,

She wept her murder'd love, her loft delight, Then Then fled with horror from the fatal shore,
Back to her sky the goddess bent her flight,
And parting, view'd the earth, and sicken'd at
(the sight'

VII.

Long had Germania's kings, with fury fir'd,
Their martial hofts to mutual flaughter fent;
Irene' from the gathering ftorm retir'd,
And weeping left the troubled continent;
Nor yet to Albion's shore her slight she bent,
For o'er the fields she mark'd in bright array
Her sturdy swains, on arms alone intent,
While her vast navies spread th' encumber'd
sea.

And with their cannon's smoke, o'ercast the face (of day

VIII:

Now fix revolving years their course had run,
Each dreadful moment markt by hostile rage,
Since first the horrors of the war begun;
While Europe's states their fatal battles wage,
And half the kings of earth in arms engage;
One dire Aceldama Germania lies,
Nor spares the ruthless sword or sex or age,
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To heav'n amidst the shouts of battle rise. The bleeding matron's groans, the ravish'd vir(gin's cries.

IX.

At length Augusta from the silver Thames
Majestick rose, with losty turrets crown'd;
The form immortal glitter'd on his streams,
Such was the mother of the gods, renown'd
In Crete's fam'd isle, and Ida's hallow'd
ground;

A train of nymphs in various dress were seen Beauteous, and strange, who stood the power around;

To one of fmiling looks, and placed mien, With winged words began, the city crowned (Queen.

W.V

- " Hafte, gracious nymph, on Nysa's hallow'd
- "Where Lybian Friton rolls his filver wave,
- Whom, to the ocean's god, Phoenice bore,
 By Dian tended in the fecret cave;
- "To thee in happy hour, great Neptune
- "O'er all his oceans and his ftorms to reign;
 Commerce

" Commerce the awful name thou didft receive

" From all the Gods; Oh hafte, to Albion's " plain

" Irenè fair restore, with all her joys again."

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Augusta spoke: her will the nymph obey'd, Light as the feather'd shaft from earth she sprung;

'Till Albion's sea-bet rocks no more survey'd, O'er wealthy Belgia's level coast she hung;

Where Rhine, and Maefe, and Scheld did roll among

Her poplous realms, ere while the mules

When of the great Nassovian race they sung, And commerce had not left those peaceful streams

To dwell in Albion's ifle, and grace the banks notice of themes.

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From thence, Germania's various realms she view'd,

And mark'd the horrors of destroying war;
The god of battles red with human blood,
O'er slaughter'd armies drove his iron car,
Guiding

Guiding the mangled steeds with gory spear; In dreadful waste, before their swiftness, fall Kingdoms, and thrones o'erturn'd on earth appear,

The brazen ranks, the city's lofty wall,
'Tis one dire scene of rage, and desolation all.

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You ruins, that the fable flame hath spar'd, Were once, some haughty warrior's boasted least; the fable samples warrior's boasted

So fure his strength, so safe his throne appear'd,

Beyond the power, of change, or fortune,

in Forth from the thicket burfts the matron's fkream;

While flaughter'd thousands choak the fullen ftream,

And o'er the distant hills the burning cities

Grilling

XIV.

From these sierce states, Irenè, long expell'd, To distant realms in sorrow had retir'd; When commerce, on the Weser's banks, beheld

Where glory near the British camp appear'd, Bright on a mountain heap of arms uprear'd, Like Pallas dreadful in Tytanian arms, Her Gorgon Ægis thro' the darkness glar'd, Her voice the shining ranks to war alarms, And with heroic slames each hero's bosom warms.

And pathethe repid had and gain! deepen the day.

Rous'd by her call, the British hosts advance,
Eager to to bleed in battles not their own;
For her the silken bands of faithless France
Glitt'ring, in filed brass, and iron, shone,
With boastful ensigns gay; so oft o'erthrown
And scatter'd by Britannia's victor spear;
For her, the Austrian from her distant throne,
Against the bold Borusian pour'd the war,
And all her savage hosts, rush'd raging from afar.

Thence o'er the iffes, amidst the Indian main

XVI.

There strong in arms the Prussian king she view'd,

That man of mighty deeds, that Lord of war;

And parting swift, her rapid course pursu'd,
'Till on the shores of Thrace she heard the

Of Paynim hofts, and stubborn Janizarre;
Now griev'd the vales of Persia to survey,
O'er whom sell Discord drove her iron car,
Still to the distant east she wing'd her way,
And past the rapid Ind' and gain'd upon the day.

Rous'd by her cell, the 1

hoffs advance,

From Ormus fouth, and China's wealthy

To Albion's chiefs, the filken monarchs hend;
Whose fragrant groves their spicy riches bore,
Whose blazing mines their hoarded diamonds
send,

That Britons might their helpless thrones defend;

Thence o'er the isles, amidst the Indian main That That num'rous lie, the British arms extend; Whose victor seets uphold their wide domain, While India's sable kings, by their permission (reign.

XVIIL

As when the fabled Jove, Tytanian lord, In ancient tale who fill'd th' Eternal's room; Thro' Greece and all her hundred realms ador'd,

Whose temple blaz'd amidst imperial Rome, Grac'd with the trophies of a world o'ercome; From the Tarpeian rock, whose height defy'd The stroke of time, sunk by almighty doom: So fell on India's coast, the Gallic pride,

And all the Paynim flaves her ruin'd pomp de-

XIX.

sight rewards, that there's

Tho' leagu'd with kings, in vain, she proudly stood,

And stretch'd her banners o'er the blazing

In vain from lofty Pondicherry view'd, India's rich realms, and all their thrones opprefs'd,

Charge Tarie T out we b'arding and by L. Kings.

Her strength, the toil of ages, is no more,
In Asian lands her tyranny is ceas'd,
Heav'n hath to British chiefs transferr'd her
power,

Theirs are her diamond mines, and theirs her (golden ore.

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Awhile in air the shining vision stay'd,
And on the wealth of eastern conquest gaz'd;
All the rich spoils of Asia wide display'd;
The pile on castled elephants was rais'd,
Superb, with silken robes, and gems, it blaz'd
And trophy'd arms, and mingled heaps of
gold,

Exalted transports in her bosom roll'd,

Such were the high rewards, that grac'd her

Then swift resum'd her slight o'er Corea's

Amidst those savage climes her search was vain; Irené dwell'd not in the Asian lands, And realms unbless'd, where Tartar tyrants reign;

Thence

Thence she o'erpass'd the waste and desert main,

Where storms unheard by one another roar, Where various seas contest their wide domain, And hollow oceans roll without a shore; Oh terrible display, of God's almighty power!

XXII.

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At length, as tow'ring high she cleft the air, Rose like a cloud the distant continent; Its verdant shores, its shadowy rocks, appear; Thither well pleas'd her weary'd slight she bent,

And past the stormy clouds in swift descent;
Ten thousand furious tribes those kingdoms
range,

Renown'd for strength and valorous hardi-

In dress and manner to each other strange, Who oft, as chance directs, their wandring dwel-(lings change.

XXIII.

In vain, their hardy youth were train'd to arms,

To hurl the war-ax, and the poison'd dart, Danger Danger, in vain, display'd its savage charms,
And love of slaughter fir'd the Huron's heart;
Remov'd by nature, to the utmost part
Of barren earth, beyond the sky mix'd wave,
Strangers, to treason's smile, or courtier's art;
Ah, what avail'd it, to be sierce and brave!
Nought cou'd their rights protect, their savage
(freedom save.

XXIV.

Oh fatal thirst of universal power!

The curse of millions, and the tyrant's boast!

For this whole nations left Europa's shore,

Whole nations in those snowy wilds were lost;

Here Montcalm, chief of many a vanquish'd host,

There youthful Wolfe, in glory's arms were

How many deaths did Albion's conquests

Her injur'd rights in battle to maintain,
And o'er Canada's hills, and stormy sloods, to
(reign!

XXV.

Chac'd from these lands, at length, th' ambi-

Groaning with fury, and in chains, retire;

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By Britain's spear her western empire falls,
And all her hopes of sov'reign rule expire;
Thus when rough winter, having spent his ire,
Flys, with his tempests, and his clouds, away,
Sullen and sad; the joyful swains admire
How calm, how lovely, spring adorns the day,
Smiles on the verdant earth, and sparkles on the
(sea.

XXVI.

Long while the nymph beheld, those boundless lands,

Those mighty lakes, and ev'ry furious stream;
From Ohio's banks, and Missisppi's sands,
To Horgehela, and Labrador Breme,
All nations bend before the British name;
To such an height of empire and renown
Had Wolfe, and Amherst, rais'd their monarch's fame;

For, not the chief who built the Persian throne, Or he who conquer'd it, such ample realms (o'er-run.

XXVII.

There victory, from Europe's happier clime, Came flying on, in all her splendours dress'd; The Goddess hovers in the air sublime, And darts her glory o'er the redning west:

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A triple diadem her temple grac'd, In her right hand the British cross she wav'd; The British star adorn'd her radiant breast; Illustrious scenes were on her shield engrav'd, Of haughty kings fubdu'd, and suppliant empires (fav'd.

XXVIII.

Such feem'd the power, when blazing o'er the plains

Her stature reach'd the sky, her awful shade Cover'd Canada's realms; as when the fwains With sudden fires the mountain heath invade: The favage tyger fees the flash difmay'd, Forc'd from his native caves enrag'd to fly; The rock's wild caverns are to fight difplay'd: Loud roaring mounts the dreadful flame on high,

Shines o'er the red'ning hills, and tow'rs amidst (the Iky, xixx fuch secole rector

Her in the midmost region commerce past, And hail'd her progress o'er those realms unknown ; Sent forth to civilize those regions vast, And spread, th' influence of great Brunswick's throne, Thro'

Thro' all the journey of the burning fun,
With mighty triumphs grac'd, and spoils adorn'd;

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At length her wond'rous circuit almost run, Back to fair Albion's isle the power return'd, And all her fruitless toil to find Irene' mourn'd.

XXX.

Now o'er lerne's verdant shores she slew, lerne sam'd for piety and song! Till Slany's rapid waters met her view, Swift as he gush'd Menapia's vales along, Pour'd from an hundred mountains deep and strong;

'Twas there, regardless of war's dreadful threat,

Of nymphs and fwains appear'd a joyous throng;

Who fung, inspir'd by youth's delightful heat, Lays of sweet love, and danc'd with nimble (shifting feet,

That is glad found xxxx our rude ministrellie

There role an hill above the level plain, Like the rich orb that crowns an Heroe's shield;

There

There from her graffy throne, did nature reign

O'er ev'ry herb, and flower, that grac'd the field;

The rocks beneath a chrystal stream did yield, Whose silver sparkling Waves did gently flow; With snow-resembling sheep the sides were fill'd,

The winds in ev'ry breeze did sweeter blow, Shaking th' empurpled rose, that shed its leaves (below.

XXXII.

The fluid glass return'd the gaudy skies,
And golden clouds the silver waves adorn;
Where, intermixt with liquid roses, lies
The downward prospect of the orient morn;
Nay was there nymph, nay herd, or shepherd,
borne

Amidst those vales, but grac'd the jubilee;
And brought their rustick pipe, or cheerful horn,

That the glad found of their rude ministrelsie Shook the wide river's banks, and echo'd to (the sky.

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XXXIII.

The Hill's green feet were border'd by a wood,

Whose matchless height above the clouds did tow're:

The awful trees in shady grandeur stood,
Shelter to many a beast, to birds a bow'r;
The sweet lark there o'erpass'd her mournful hour,

Wood mufick's queen! the linnet there renew'd

Her sprightly strain; while in his kingly power From some huge oak the beaked eagle view'd His seather'd hosts; the hawk his frighted prey (pursu'd.

XXXIV.

Here also, playing on the shadowy green,
Were satyrs, fawns, and swift foot Dryades;
The queen of fairies oft was dauncing seen,
And all the troop of woodland deities;
Harping amidst the brakes immortal lays,
That kept all bad and hurtful things away;
As when thy musick, Orpheus, did repress
The stormy Hebrus, soaming down the lea,
And made the noisy waves in all their haste to
(stay.

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And first, th' ambitious palm with branches fair Rear'd his proud head, aspiring to the sky; The Sun's sad daughters next, whose wild despair

Witness'd the Po, that heard their piercing cry,

When Phaëton fell flaming from on high,
And Jove's enraged brand his members rent;
There was the gnarled oak, with proud defy
Meeting the lightning's wrath; the chefnut,
bent

By Notus arms, but still the forest's ornament.

XXXVI.

There grew immense, the rougher rinded pine,

Of which the great Argoan ship was fram'd; Whose lofty top the forests did incline

When shook by winds, there was the laurel, nam'd

Apollo's tree, by bards and hero's claim'd;
The gloomy Holm that haunts the watry
vale:

The wicked Lote, of dark oblivion fam'd;

The mournful Cypress, sign of deadly bale; The Ash, the weeping Fir, the forlorn Willow pale.

XXXVII.

The stubborn Yew, long borne by Britons bold.

Their hofts when Edward and fierce Henry led;

The Ivy, that with wanton arms doth hold And round the Poplar her lythe branches spread;

The pointed Holly rear'd his verdant head; The myrde mindful of her ancient crime;

And that strange tree where faithful Thisbè

The brittle Ash, that hits its top sublime;
'The Elm, around whose boughs, th' enamour'd
(Vine doth climb)

XXXVIII.

In this so pleasant forest, oft did sport Of old, so siction tells, the queen of love; Nor more to proud Cythæron did resort, Or Ida where immortal beauties strove;

Hid anguie des, in the plantain finades

Hither

Hither swift stooping from the realms above Commerce approach'd; and heard, the pleasing sound

Of flutes and harps, that gentle thoughts did move:

And faw, a troop of Ladies dancing round, Who with their tuneful feet did shake the hollow (ground.

XXXIX.

These were the nymphs that in the plains de-

Content, and smiling Truth, and Constancy;
And innocence, array'd in virgin white;
And spotless Faith, with heav'n erected eye;
And blissful Youth, and pleasing Chastity;
With these, the daughters of sky ruling Jove,
And Ocean's ravish'd nymph, Eurinome',
Yelept the Graces three; who wait on love,
And haunt, the Cyprian isle, or Caria's hallow'd

O. cld. foliation tell, the queen of love;

sight biblio a frequency of a (grove.

Amidst the rest, like Dian' forest queen, Irene' sported in the pleasant shade,

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With modest grace, and comely carriage seen, In dress a village nymph; for she had laid Her crowns and sceptres by, with which she play'd

When in the courts of kings; each graceful limb

In humble fylvan weed was fair array'd,

And wreaths of flowers her flowing robes did
trim;

Her all the virgin train their Goddess did esteem.

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To whom, descending from the midmost air,
The joyful errant commerce 'gan relate.

- " Sent by Augusta, Goddess, I repair
- " To win thy dear return to Albion's state;
- "Wild discord, which disturb'd the earth so "late,
- " Dreadfully riding on the vengefully blaft,
- " To pour the wrath abroad of angry fate,
- " from her red hand the writhen bolt hath caft;
- "And ruin stalks no more along the fearful (waste.

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- " Tir'd with the horrors of the martial form,
- "The kings of earth forfake the raging deep ;
- "Tho' still abroad, fell slaughter's gory form,
- " Of half Germania's states domain doth " keep,
- "Acting dire crimes, at which revenge might " weep;
- " But lo, young Branswick bids the tumult " cease;
- "And glory, hov'ring o'er the chalky steep,
- " Sounds with her lofty trump to human tby Angula, Goddels, , aser "
- "That victor Albion grants imploring nations b'dushil xkim?

She fpoke; with fimiles from fwift reply'd; Such finiles as in angelick looks appear, The fouls of martyrs when to heav'n they guide.

- " Oh blissful period of destructive war !
- "Tis mine, the waste of conquest to repair,
- " And frailing plenty o'er the land reftore;
- For, Albion's king demands my chiefest care,

- "My bleffings shall uphold his righteous "power,
- " And in his reign, ambition curse the world no (more.

XLIV.

" Nor fair lërne, mindless of thy state

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- " From thee to greater Albion I remove;
- "Who in mine exile gav'ft a safe retreat;
- " My choicest favours thou shalt ever prove,
- " Oh land, so highly favour'd from above !
- " Where freedom roves amidst the cheerful " swains.
- " The blifsful haunt, of innocence and love;
- " where rose health, walks smiling o'er the plains,
- " And nature in luxuriant bleffings reigns.

XLV

- " Oft have I wander'd o'er thy shadowy fields,
- " And in fweet musing spent the silent night;
- "While ev'ry vale its native fragrance yields,
- " How still the forest! and the stream how bright,
- Its bosom silver'd with the moon's pale light!

- "Here undiffurb'd with war's deftructive rage,
- " Secure from rapine, and the waste of fight,
- "Thy vig'rous fons in peaceful arts engage,
- of Or fee a duteous race support their feeble age.

XLVI.

- " Here too, returning from the glorious war,
- "Shall each stern soldier reach his native shore;
- "Loaded with spoils, and grac'd with many a " scar,
- "Which nobly in his country's cause he bore;
- "When vanquish'd Gallia shrunk beneath her power,
- "With all her captive fleets, and flaughter'd hofts:
- "While their lost fame th' Îberian chiefs de-
- " For nought remains to guard their fenceless coasts,
- "Of all those navies huge, whose conquest Po-(eock boasts.

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- "Then shall the monumental marble tell,
- " Of all th' illustrious dead the hapless doom,
- "The chiefs, who bravely fought, and great.
 "ly fell;
- "While future heroes to their graves shall come,
- " Like youthful Ammon to Pelides tomb;
- "Their lofty deeds while many a poet fings;
- "Meantime, all glorious from a world o'er, come,
- " Shall Albion's monarch calm contending kings,
- " And mark each nation's bounds, adjusting (doubtful things,

XLVIII.

- " Britain, which hurt by no intestine jar,
- " Able to ruin, studious how to fave;
- " Safe in her feas, defies the world in war!
- " All fair her daughters, and her fons all brave!
- " Umpire of earth, and miftress of the wave!
- 5 Lo, at her voice the diftant flaughters cease,
- " For laws to haughtieft potentates the gave;
- 5. Long may her councils guide Europa's peace
- And endless empire crown the mighty Guel-(phian race.

XLIX

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Thus spoke the goddess, then with joy obey'd Augusta's call, and sought the silver Thame, Attendant on the fair Nisæan maid; Their slight I markt, from Slany's noisy stream, And fond of fancy and a Poet's name, Deep struck the conscious lyre with daring hand;

Bless'd, if while others gain a loftier fame, Amidst the bards of my lov'd native land, Of Glory not devoid, nor Loyalty I stand,

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